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EPA in Planning Stages for Radiation Screening at Bridgeton Municipal Athletic Complex

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(Lenexa, Kan., May, 2, 2014) – To alleviate community concerns regarding the impacts at West Lake Landfill on the Bridgeton Municipal Athletic Complex (BMAC), EPA Region 7 has initiated planning to conduct a radiation screening at the BMAC.

The radiation screening will include a survey of the grounds using equipment that will collect surface readings and will indicate any areas with elevated radioactivity. This equipment will be mounted on an all-terrain type vehicle that will traverse the area while collecting readings. EPA will also collect soil samples at the complex.

Following on-site assessment work, if the screening from the ground survey indicates any areas with elevated levels of radioactivity, EPA will collect additional samples from those areas for laboratory analysis. Laboratory analysis typically takes 30 days to complete.

All validated information indicates that the BMAC remains uncontaminated from the radioactive contaminants located within West Lake landfill and remains suitable for use by the community. EPA does not expect to find elevated levels of radiation at the complex.

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